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SUBJ: GOG EXPRESSED "CONSIDERABLE CONCERN" OVER ALLEGED ILL-
TREATMENT MBRS. GHANA MISSION

REF: ACCRA'S 1071, USUN 660

1. TWO USUN OFFICERS VISITED JOSEPH CLELAND, GHANIAN
CHARGE D'AFFAIRES, MORNING OF FEB 27 TO DISCUSS COMPLAINTS
REPORTED IN ACCRA'S 1071.

2. CLELAND STATED THAT TRAFFIC AND GAS PROBLEMS OF GHANA
MISSION WERE THOSE ENCOUNTERED IN NYC BY ALL MISSIONS. HE
POINTED OUT CONTINUING PROBLEM FOR GHANA MISSION OF UNAUTHORIZED
CARS PARKED IN RESERVED DPL PARKING SPACES AND COMPLAINED THAT
POLICE AND TRAFFIC OFFICIALS WERE NOT AS SYMPATHETIC AS THEY
SHOULD BE. HE MENTIONED CASE OF A POLICEWOMAN WHO DECLINED
TO MOVE POLICE CAR SHE WAS DRIVING OUT OF A DPL PARKING
SPACE UNTIL OFFICERS SHE WAS DRIVING RETURNED FROM AN
ASSIGNMENT.

3. CLELAND STATED THAT POUCH PROBLEM INVOLVING PAN AMERICAN
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AIRLINES WAS IRRITATING. WE POINTED OUT THAT USUN HAD NEVER

BEEN INFORMED OF PROBLEM, BUT WOULD BE GLAD TO TRY TO HELP SOLVE DIFFICULTY. CLELAND PROMISED TO SEND A LETTER GIVING FACTS IN CASE.

4. CLELAND THEN COMPLAINED ABOUT PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED BY AMBHBOATEN IN OBTAINING LAST MINUTE VISA AND A LAST MINUTE CHRISTMAS LIQUOR ORDER. WE POINTED OUT NECESSITY OF GIVING USUN ADEQUATE TIME TO OBTAIN VISAS AND CUSTOMS CLEARANCES FOR MISSION, BUT PROMISED TO LOOK INTO THE MATTER.

5. AT THAT STAGE OF TALKS, ACTING CONSUL GENERAL A.S. ANKRAH APPEARED AND COMPLAINED THAT MEMBERS OF GHANA CONSULATE WERE BEING HARASSED OVER PARKING PROBLEMS, TRAFFIC TICKETS AND GASOLINE ACQUISITION. WE SUGGESTED THAT HE WRITE A LETTER TOHUSUN WHICH WE COULD SHARE WITH CITY AUTHORITIES IN ATTEMPT TO HELP CONSULATE.

6. TALKS WERE AMICABLE AND CONSTRUCTIVE AND GAVE GHANAIAANS CHANCE TO PERSONALLY EXPRESS THEIR GRIEVANCES, WE HOPE THAT AS A RESULT OF CONVERSATIONS, WAY MAY BE FOUND TO RESOLVE SOME OF PROBLEMS DISTRUBING GHANA MISSION.
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